



**Testimony of Win Heimer, Executive Vice President  
Connecticut Alliance for Retired Americans  
Aging Committee  
Connecticut General Assembly  
Thursday, March 3, 2022**

**In support of H.B. 5197 An Act Concerning a Study of the Needs of Senior Citizens.**

Senator Miller, Representative Garibay and members of the Aging Committee. Thank you for this opportunity.

My name is Win Heimer. I am a resident of West Hartford and the executive vice president of the Connecticut Alliance for Retired Americans. The Alliance is the state affiliate of the national Alliance for Retired Americans and comprises 50,000 members in Connecticut.

We come before you to urge your support and passage of House Bill 5197 – An Act Concerning A Study Of The Needs Of Senior Citizens.

The Connecticut Alliance believes that all our residents deserve to live out their retirement years in dignity and in a manner that helps them attain security. This bill can help move us in that direction. Long-term care, transportation, housing assistance, nutritional assistance, and opportunities for socialization as you know are all issues of deep concern. Our members and seniors in general look to an ability to be as independent as possible for as long as possible so that we can age in place.

We urge passage of H.B. 5197 in hopes that the proposed study can shed light in order to ensure the adequate allocation of resources.

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